

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)**

Austin City Council	Item ID:	17441	Agenda Number	37.
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Meeting Date:	August 16, 2012
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Department:	Purchasing
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**Subject**

Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 24-month requirements service contract with PIKE ELECTRIC, INC. and DASHIELL CORPORATION for the purchase of relay installation, maintenance and testing services at Austin Energy substations in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 each and combined, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$500,000 each and combined per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 each and combined.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

Funding in the amount of \$20,833 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of Austin Energy and \$20,834 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 23 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

**Fiscal Note**

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	Best two evaluated proposals.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Gage Loots, Buyer II /512-322-6118
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Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.
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Related Items:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.
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**Additional Backup Information**

This contract will provide relay services for Austin Energy (AE) to be purchased on an as-needed basis. Relays are devices that protect high voltage transmission lines, substation equipment and the distribution system from faults in the electric power system. The contractors will provide the expertise, labor and equipment necessary to install, maintain and test relays at AE substations. AE personnel provide these services; however, this contract will be used to supplement those resources when necessary to complete both routine and emergency work.

Multiple contractors are needed to assure timely response and expertise. Contractors will submit a work plan, schedule, and pricing for individual projects, and the contractor offering the best value to the City will be awarded the work for that project.

An Austin Energy evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the proposals and unanimously chose these proposals as the best to provide these services. Evaluation criteria used to evaluate the proposals included the plan to accomplish the scope of work, cost, experience, equipment and facilities, and local business presence.

MBE/WBE solicited: 47/26

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

#### PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Six hundred sixty-nine notices were sent, including 47 MBEs and 26 WBEs. Two proposals were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.

#### APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best evaluated proposals. Pike Electric Inc. and Dashiell Corporation are not the current contractors for this service.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.